

offered with' reverence, who is vast and
cognizant of
rites, to partake of the exhilaration of the
sweet

Soma.

7. The vessel¹ which the priests,
celebrating (it),
supply with butter, as if roasting a
marrow-yielding
animal with fire, has been placed,
desirous of the
sacrifice, upon the fire, like a son upon the
lap of his
father.

8. May this adoring, earnest, and
gratifying praise
go like a messenger to summon the. As
WINS hither:
come, ASWINS, givers of happiness, riding
in one cha-
riot, come down to the deposited (*Soma*)[^]
as the bolt

(is essential) to the axle of the waggon.²

9. I-offer adoration to the powerful
and rapid
PUSEAN, and to (the powerful and rapid)
VAYU, who
are both instigators of the desire of
wealth and of
food, (who are both) distributors of riches.

10. Bring hither JATAVEDAS, who art
invoked by
us all, the MARUTS, under their several
names and
forms: come, all ye MARUTS, with all your
protecting
faculties, to the sacrifice, the praises, and
the adoration
of the worshipper.

11. May the radiant SARASWAT* come to
the sacri-
fice from the heavens or the spacious
firmament: may
the goddess, the sliowerer of water,
propitiated by our
invocation, and desirous of our
gratifying praises,
hear.

expresses the wife of a deity: here, *Sdyana*
says, it is a proper
name, *Ghidm, etannfamhdm devatdm.*

¹ *Qharma* : see *Sukta xxx. verse 15.*

² As the cart cannot move -if the axle 'of the
wheel is not
fastened by the pin or bolt, so the offering of
the *Soma* is with-

out .efficacy unless the *Atwins* be present.